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Subject: revised Parcel A concerns regarding radiological exposure

Dear Amy and Tamsen,

Per our recent discussion, I understand that residents and tenants at the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard (HPNS) have been asking questions about their potential current exposure to radiation. Here is what EPA knows about the history and cleanup of Parcel A that led us to approve transfer of Parcel A and to remove that portion of the site from the Superfund National Priorities List:

- Radiological materials found at Parcel A were sandblast grit and firebricks. Buildings 322 and 816 had potential for radiological contamination. The Navy scanned both buildings and did not find radiological contamination above required cleanup levels. Both buildings have been demolished and removed. No other sources of radiological contamination were identified during the investigation or clean-up of Parcel A.
- In 2002, EPA conducted a scanner van survey for Parcel A and navigable roads on other parts of the HPNS. All of the anomalies detected during the scan were attributable to natural occurring sources at levels consistent with what would normally be found in the environment.
- We have no reason to question any cleanup work performed at Parcel A. To date no allegations have been made regarding the integrity of any of the cleanup work conducted at Parcel A.
- Parcel A was found suitable for transfer in 2004, and was removed from the National Priorities List on 1999. If it would be helpful, I can provide copies of the Finding of Suitability for Transfer and the de-listing decision.

As you know, the Navy is the lead agency responsible for the investigation and cleanup of the HPNS and holds the administrative record for the site. EPA and its state regulatory agency partners oversee and enforce Navy compliance with Superfund requirements to ensure the cleanup at HPNS protects human health and the environment. For more information on the HPNS investigation and cleanup, contact Derek Robinson, Navy Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Environmental Coordinator: 619-524-6026, derek.j.robinson1@navy.mil.

If you would like to discuss EPA's oversight role, please contact me 415-972-3005 or Lily Lee on my staff at 415-947-4187 or lee.lily@epa.gov.

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